

REMARKS

Applicant files herewith an IDS form with one reference document titled *EPA Project Summary: Effect of Recycling Thermophilic Sludge on the Activated Sludge Process* and an additional article referenced in the Preliminary Amendment, titled *Changes in Dewatering Properties Between the Thermophilic and Mesophilic Stages in TPAD Systems*. Both articles were discussed in detail in the Preliminary Amendment.

In further support of the Preliminary Amendment, filed yesterday, Applicant requests consideration of the attached Declaration of David Breslin, which was not available at the time of filing the RCE. The Declaration illustrates that those skilled in the art believed that high molecular weight epipolyamines for raw water clarification was a waste of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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